

## Mission, Vision, Values

#### **Mission**

Our mission is to serve all civil and court documents with the utmost professionalism and integrity. We also strive to build coalitions with neighborhoods and collaborate on safer communities, which uphold and enhance our high quality of life in Southwest Travis County.

#### **Vision**

We envision a true partnership with the community that respects the diverse nature of our residents. Pro-actively seeking truthful and open two-way communication will be the start of our collaboration and continue throughout our relationship.

#### **Values**

Our core beliefs of honesty, fairness, and respect ensure that we are committed to the highest performance standards, ethical conduct, and compassion in all relationships with the Public.

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## Constable 3 Newsletter

Sally Hernandez, Travis County Constable Precinct 3

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## Message from Sally



**Constable Sally Hernandez** 

With summer fast approaching, your Constable office is expanding our focus to include fraud against one of the most vulnerable populations—Seniors—and wildfire safety.

One of the issues that I campaigned on is making this office a resource that Seniors can go to for help when they suspect that they have been a victim of fraud. To that end, we are researching the issue and plan to learn about best practices and implement those ideas.

This month marks the 2nd anniversary of the Oak Hill Pinnacle fire, and this office was instrumental in evacuation and traffic diversion efforts during this fire event. Travis County and the City of Austin are partnering to produce a countywide Community Wildfire Protection Plan, which will provide a framework for all of Travis County in becoming a Fire-Adapted Community. This office has been invited to participate in a Law Enforcement Technical Work Group with

other local law enforcement entities to identify evacuation and public safety concerns. Additionally, public participation in this process is vital in shaping this Plan. There will be a series of public meetings to receive your input at the Travis County West Service Center at 4510 RR 620 on May 28, 29, and 30. Mark your calendars and please be involved in this very important work.

### Your Constable's Office at Work

Our office continues to be proactive in assisting you in keeping your kids safe. We participated in 3 school carnivals this month by hosting Child I.D. stations all over Precinct 3. We were at Mills Elementary in Circle C, Boone Elementary in South Austin, and Bee Cave Elementary in Bee Cave. My office and I enjoy these events and meeting the good people of Precinct 3.

Due to the continued threat of wildfire in our region, our office has started meeting with other stakeholders in putting together a Community Wildfire Protection Plan. (continued p. 3)



# **Constable Precinct 3 Contact Information**

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NEVER UNDERESTIMATE THE POWER OF DREAMS AND THE INFLUENCE OF THE HUMAN SPIRIT. WE ARE ALL THE SAME IN THIS NOTION: THE POTENTIAL FOR GREATNESS LIVES WITHIN EACH OF US.

- WILMA RUDOLPH

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## Get To Know Your Constable 3 Staffers

This month: Patricia Cerdes



Patricia has been a Court Clerk with the Constable 3 office for almost four years. As a vital bilingual member of staff, her duties include providing research on criminal warrants as well as pursuing payment along with dispatch for deputies out in the field.

Before coming to this office, Patricia was with the Texas Attorney General Child Support Division for 7 years, and she has been a Spanish teacher. She is also a part-time wedding planner.

Patricia loves sports and being outdoors. She puts these two things together when she volunteers for the Bowie High School baseball team, for which her son plays. Additionally, Patricia enjoys exercising and spending time with her wonderful children, Jay and Maddie, and with friends and family.

Patricia believes in challenges in one's life, for without them, there can be no greatness. Great challenges bare the truth of a person's worth. Through perseverance in the face of challenge, you can accomplish anything.



Deputy Shane Sexton with new friends at the Mills Elementary Spring Carnival. (picture used with permission)

Constable Sally Hernandez with her friends, Chris and Sarai, at an Easter egg hunt.

(picture used with permission)





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After the Oak Hill fire and the Labor Day Fires, it is imperative that this office be in the discussion on how we can be a part of the solution in keeping residents safe, especially in regards to evacuations should they arise.

We were fortunate to receive an invitation to the Covered Bridge Neighborhood Annual Family Crawfish Boil. Lots of good food and fellowship!

We continue scheduling numerous carnivals, events, and neighborhood meetings for the Spring. Before you know it, Summer will be here. If your neighborhood has a 4th of July Parade, we would like to know about it and participate if we can. If you are interested in having the Constable 3 office to attend your event or meeting, please contact Garry Brown at

garry.brown@co.travis.tx.us or on his direct phone line at 854-2171.

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